

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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## **Streamlined International Applications Accepted For Filing**

Section 214 Applications (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.18, 63.24); Section 310(b) Petitions (47 C.F.R. § 1.5000)

Unless otherwise specified, the following procedures apply to the applications listed below:

The international Section 214 applications listed below have been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing and subject to the streamlined processing procedures set forth in Section 63.12 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12. These applications are for authority under Section 214 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), to transfer control of an authorized carrier or to assign a carrier's existing authorization; and/or (b) to become a facilities-based international common carrier; and/or (c) to become a resale-based international common carrier.

Pursuant to Section 63.12 of the rules, these Section 214 applications will be granted 14 days after the date of this public notice (see 47 C.F.R. § 1.4 regarding computation of time), and the applicant may commence operations on the 15th day, unless the Commission has informed the applicant in writing, within 14 days after the date of this public notice, that the application, on further examination, has been deemed ineligible for streamlined processing. Pursuant to Section 1.1910(b)(2) of the rules, action will be withheld on any application by any entity found to be delinquent in its debts to the Commission. Applicants should check the Red Light Display System's website at www.fcc.gov/redlight to determine if they are delinquent in a debt to the Commission and for information on how to pay the debt.

Communications between outside parties and Commission staff concerning these applications are permitted subject to the Commission's rules for "permit-but-disclose proceedings." See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206. An application can be removed from streamlined processing only in the sound discretion of Commission staff. The filing of comments or a petition to deny will not necessarily result in an application being deemed ineligible for streamlined processing.

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We request that comments on any of these applications refer to the application file number shown below.

ITC-ASG-20211103-00160 E Hanson Communications, Inc.

Assignment

Current Licensee: Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc.

FROM: Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc.

TO: Hanson Communications, Inc.

An application was filed for consent to the assignment of assets and customers from Consolidated Communications of Ohio Company, LLC (Consolidated Ohio) to Hanson Communications of Ohio, LLC (Hanson Ohio). Consolidated Ohio is a wholly owned subsidiary of Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. (CCHI) and provides international service under the international section 214 authority held by CCHI, ITC-214-20030808-00393, pursuant to section 63.24(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.24(h). Hanson Ohio, an Ohio limited liability company, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hanson Communications, Inc. (HCI), a Minnesota company. Hanson Ohio provides international service under the international section 214 authority held by HCI, ITC-214-19970903-00526, pursuant to section 63.24(h).

Pursuant to an asset purchase agreement, HCI will purchase substantially all of the assets, property, and rights (including customer base) of Consolidated Ohio. Following the closing of the proposed transaction, the assets, property, and rights currently held by Consolidated Ohio will be owned and operated by Hanson Ohio. Hanson Ohio will provide international service to its newly acquired customers under the international section 214 authority held by HCI, ITC-214-19970903-00526. CCHI will retain its international section 214 authority, ITC-214-20030808-00393.

The following U.S. citizens hold a 10% or greater interest in HCI: Bruce Hanson (22.04%); Mark Hanson (24.65%); and Susan Anderson (22.04%). Applicants state that the remaining approximately 31.23% ownership in HCI is held by 10 individual trusts with 10 individual family-member beneficiaries, each in the amount of 3.12%. Each beneficiary is a U.S. citizen, and Maria J. Hanson, a U.S. citizen, is the trustee for 5 of the trusts, and Douglas Anderson, a U.S. citizen, is the trustee for the other 5 trusts.

ITC-ASG-20211105-00162 E UPSTACK GLOBAL LLC

Assignment

Current Licensee: Global Communication Networks, Inc.

FROM: Global Communication Networks, Inc.

TO: UPSTACK GLOBAL LLC

An application was filed for consent to the assignment of assets and customers and the international section 214 authorization held by Global Communication Networks, Inc. (GCN), ITC-214-20160714-00189, to UPSTACK GLOBAL LLC (UPSTACK). Pursuant to an October 15, 2021, asset purchase agreement, UPSTACK will purchase substantially all of the assetts of GCN. Upon closing, UPSTACK will provide service to its newly acquired customers pursuant to international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20160714-00189 and GCN will discontinue its telecommunications service offerings.

UPSTACK, a New York limited liability company, is indirectly wholly-owned by UpStack, Inc., a New York corporation, which, in turn, is owned by Christopher Trapp (22%), a U.S. citizen, and Berkshire Fund IX, L.P. (Berkshire Fund) (23%), a Delaware limited partnership and investment fund. Berkshire Fund is controlled by its general partner, Ninth Berkshire Associates LLC. Berkshire Partners LLC (Berkshire Partners) is the management company for Berkshire Fund. Berkshire Partners is wholly owned by BPSP, L.P. BPSP, L.P.'s general partner is Berkshire Partners Holdings LLC, which is controlled by 25 Managing Directors, all of whom are U.S. citizens. According to the Applicants no other individual or entity holds a 10% or greater interest in UPSTACK.

ITC-ASG-20211112-00166 E LKN Communications, Inc.

Assignment

Current Licensee: Kynect Communications LTD

**FROM:** Kynect Communications LTD **TO:** LKN Communications, Inc.

An application was filed for consent to the assignment of assets and customers from Kynect Communications LTD (Kynect) to LKN Communications, Inc. (LKN). Flash Wireless, LLC (Flash Wireless), a Delaware limited liability company, is a wholly owned subsidiary of LKN and provides international service under the international section 214 authorization held LKN, ITC-214-20000203-00052, pursuant to section 63.21(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.21(h). Pursuant to a purchase agreement, Kynect will assign its customer base to Flash Wireless. Upon consummation, Kynect will no longer provide international service and intends to surrender its international 214 authorization, ITC-214-20140806-00233. Flash Wireless will provide international service to its newly acquired customers under the international section 214 authorization held LKN, ITC-214-20000203-00052.

LKN, a Michigan corporation, is owned by the following U.S. citizens: Dave Stevanovski (23%); Robert Stevanovski (29%); Gregory Provenzano (16%); Michael Cupisz (15%); and, Anthony Cupisz (17%).

ITC-T/C-20211102-00158 E Hargray of Georgia, Inc.

Transfer of Control

Current Licensee: Hargray of Georgia, Inc.

FROM: Cable One, Inc.

TO: NewCo

An application was filed for consent to transfer control of Hargray of Georgia, Inc. (Hargray), a South Carolina corporation that holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20011022-00534, from Cable One, Inc. (Cable One) to NewCo. Hargray is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cable One.

Cable One, GTCR Strategic Growth Investment I LLC (GTCR), Stephens Capital Partners LLC (Stephens), The Pritzker Organization, L.L.C. (TPO), all U.S. entities, and a limited number of other accredited investors intend to enter into definitive agreements creating NewCo as a joint venture among the parties. Cable One will contribute Hargray, Hargray of Florida, Inc., and Delta Communications, L.L.C. d/b/a Clearwave Communications to the joint venture and in exchange will receive certain common equity units and certain senior fixed-return preferred equity units in NewCo. GTCR, Stephens, TPO, and the other investors will commit to collectively purchase a certain amount of newly issued non-participating convertible preferred equity units in NewCo, which will result in a cash investment in the joint venture. Cable One and GTCR will be the only owners of the joint venture that will hold a 10% or greater interest in NewCo.

Cable One, a publicly traded Delaware corporation, will hold approximately 58.28% of the membership interests of NewCo. T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. (T. Rowe), a Maryland corporation, beneficially owns 12.5% of Cable One's outstanding common stock. T. Rowe is a subsidiary of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. (TROW), a publicly traded Maryland corporation. According to Applicants, no individual or entity holds a 10% or greater interest in TROW. BlackRock, Inc. (BlackRock), a publicly traded Delaware corporation, beneficially owns 10.4% of Cable One's outstanding common stock. According to Applicants, no individual or entity holds a 10% or greater interest in BlackRock. Daniel L. Mosley, a U.S. citizen and trustee of various trusts, beneficially owns 10.0% of Cable One's outstanding common stock. According to Applicants, no other individual or entity holds a 10% or greater interest in Cable One.

GTCR, a Delaware limited liability company, will indirectly hold approximately 21.19% of the membership interests of NewCo though funds owned or controlled by GCTR. At this time it is anticipated that two GCTR funds will hold 10% or greater direct interests in NewCo, although the exact ownership is yet to be determined: GTCR Strategic Growth Fund I/B LP (Fund I/B) and a newly-formed partnership entity which will be named prior to its formation (GTCR Splitter). The general partner of Fund I/B is GTCR Strategic Growth Partners I/B LP (Partners I/B) and GCTR is the general partner of Partners I/B. The limited partner of GTCR Splitter will be a newly-formed corporation that will be named prior to its formation (GTCR Blocker). The general partner of GTCR Splitter will be Partners I/B. The 100% owner of GTCR Blocker will be GTCR Strategic Growth Fund I/C LP (Fund I/C). The general partner of Fund I/C is GTCR Strategic Growth Partners I/A&C LP (Partners I/A&C). The general partner of Partners I/A&C is GTCR. All of these GTCR entities are organized in Delaware. GTCR is controlled by the following managing directors of GTCR LLC, a U.S. entity, and the initial member of GTCR: Mark M. Anderson, Craig A. Bondy, Aaron D. Cohen, Sean L. Cunningham, Benjamin J. Daverman, David A. Donnini, Dean S. Mihas, and Collin E. Roche (all U.S. citizens). According to Applicants, no individual or entity affiliated with GTCR will hold a 10% or greater direct or indirect interest in NewCo.

Delta Communications

ITC-T/C-20211102-00159

Transfer of Control

Current Licensee: Delta Communications

FROM: Cable One, Inc.

TO: NewCo

An application was filed for consent to transfer control of Delta Communications, L.L.C. d/b/a Clearwave Communications (Clearwave), an Illinois limited liability company that holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20021022-00509, from Cable One, Inc. (Cable One) to NewCo. Clearwave is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cable One.

Cable One, GTCR Strategic Growth Investment I LLC (GTCR), Stephens Capital Partners LLC (Stephens), The Pritzker Organization, L.L.C. (TPO), all U.S. entities, and a limited number of other accredited investorsintend to enter into definitive agreements creating NewCo as a joint venture among the parties. Cable One will contribute Clearwave, Hargray of Florida, Inc., and Hargray of Georgia, Inc. to the joint venture and in exchange will receive certain common equity units and certain senior fixed-return preferred equity units in NewCo. GTCR, Stephens, TPO, and the other investors will commit to collectively purchase a certain amount of newly issued non-participating convertible preferred equity units in NewCo, which will result in a cash investment in the joint venture. Cable One and GTCR will be the only owners of the joint venture that will hold a 10% or greater interest in NewCo.

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## REMINDERS:

Applicants must certify that neither the applicant nor any party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits by federal and/or state courts under authority granted in 21 U.S.C. § 862. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.2001-.2003.